

Bremer Likely to Stay in State Prison

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Arthur H. Bremer probably will remain at the Maryland State Penitentiary in Baltimore where he has been since a Prince George's jury convicted him Aug. 4 of shooting Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace and three other persons.

The possibility still exists that Bremer may be sent to the state's Patuxent Institution for defective delinquents in Jessup, Md. Assistant Attorney General H. Edgar Lentz said yesterday that a court could send Bremer to Patuxent for evaluation if it is requested by attorneys in the case or by the State Department of Corrections.

Lentz said he knew of no plans in the Department of Corrections to request sending Bremer to Patuxent and prison spokesman Robert Grams said Bremer "will in all probability be assigned to the penitentiary."

Bremer, who was sentenced to 63 years, could be eligible for parole in early 1988. He still faces federal charges growing out of the shooting at a Laurel campaign rally, but federal officials have not decided whether they will bring Bremer to trial.

The penitentiary in Baltimore is the state's maximum security institution.

Grams said that Bremer was moved out of his specially guarded cell in the penitentiary's hospital wing yesterday and put in the same area with other prisoners in the reception and diagnostic wing.

"There's no special arrangement of any kind," said Grams. "He'll be eating his meals with other inmates and be treated in every way the same as every inmate."

Grams said Bremer will be in the reception center another week to 10 days before a final decision is made whether to keep him in the penitentiary or to send him to one of the state's other penal institutions.

Bremer had been in the prison hospital since Aug. 4 for his own protection, according to Grams. He had refused to cooperate with psychiatrists who tried to interview him there.

Bremer's move out of the hospital was made without incident, Grams said.

Bremer's move out of the Prince George's County Circuit Court on charges of at-

tempted murder came after a trial in which psychiatrists for the defense characterized the blond, former Milwaukee busboy as a psychotic who shot Wallace in a schizophrenic frenzy. The jury rejected his insanity defense.

Patuxent is the institution where the state sends prisoners with criminal personalities who have been found legally sane.

The institution has been questioned recently in a series

of legal actions and its future is uncertain. The Supreme Court has ruled that inmates who refuse to cooperate with psychiatrists cannot be held at Patuxent for longer than the sentence they received for committing a crime.